

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 were previously cancelled without prejudice as being directed to a non-elected invention. Claims 16-17 were withdrawn by the Examiner as being directed to a non-elected invention. Claims 10 and the claims dependent thereon are amended to correct misspellings and to specify that n is an integer of 2; W is a single bond or a C₁₋₆ alkylene group; X¹ is Nitrogen and X² is methine and Z is Z-1. Claim 13 is cancelled because it is duplicative in view of amended claim 10. Claims 14-15 are cancelled in view of the amendment to claim 10.

The amendment made to claim 10 is suggested by the Examiner and does not present new matter. Entry of the amendment is requested.

The Examiner also appears to suggest limiting R^{1a} to only those described in Example 43. Reconsideration is requested in view of the disclosure in the specification, in particular, Examples 2-5, 7,9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19-21, 23, 24, 27-31, 33, 34, 36-38, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 53-58 and 60. In these examples, R^{1a} has been variously described as C₁₋₆ alkyl (see Examples 20, 21 and the like), an aromatic heterocyclic group with a 5 to 10 member ring (see Examples 47, 49 and the like), a heterocyclic group of 4 to 10 members (see Examples 54, 55 and the like), a C4-C13 polycycloalkyl group (see Examples 13, 19, 23 and the like.) To limit R^{1a} to only the compounds of Example 43 is unwarranted.

CONCLUSION

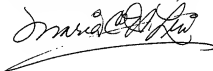
No other issues were raised. Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims and allowance of this application.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. **13-4500**, Order No. 4381-4001US1. A DUPLICATE OF THIS DOCUMENT IS ATTACHED.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. **13-4500**, Order No. 4381-4001US1. A DUPLICATE OF THIS DOCUMENT IS ATTACHED.

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